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## **REMARKS**

In the Office Action, the Examiner allowed claims 3 and 11-20, deemed claims 9 and 10 (which depend from claim 1) to recite allowable subject matter, objected to the amendments to claim 1 presented in Applicant's response filed July 5, 2007, and rejected claims 1, 2, and 4-8.

In response, independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate all limitations of its dependent claim 9 (canceled without prejudice), and to cancel the amendments inserted in Applicant's prior response. As such, Applicant respectfully believes that independent claim 1 and its remaining claims 2, 4-8, and 10 are now also in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner have any questions with respect to any matter now of record, Applicant's representative may be reached at (219) 462-4999.

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